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In re Patent Application of:
Bennett M. Butters

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Art Unit: 2857

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SAMPLE
DETECTION BASED ON LOW-
FREQUENCY SPECTRAL COMPONENTS

Examiner: P. L. Kim

RESPONSE TO INTERVIEW SUMMARY

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Interview Summary, date of interview February 1, 2005, Applicant and Examiner agree that Wells (U.S. Patent No. 4,682,027) does not teach a noise generator introducing noise into the sample, without ionizing the sample.

In view of the foregoing, the claims pending in the application comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112 and patentably define over the applied art. A Notice of Allowance is, therefore, respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or

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believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (206) 359-3599.

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